

GCSE (9-1) qualification and notional component raw mark grade boundaries November 2022 series

GCSEs are 'linear qualifications'. This means all the assessment takes place at the end of the course. Linear qualifications are made up of a number of separate exams or non-exam assessment (coursework) called 'components'.

The mark students get on each exam paper or non-exam assessment will be the 'component mark'. There isn't a grade for each component – just a mark. This is sometimes called a 'raw mark'.

In most cases, we just add the component raw marks together to get the 'total mark'. For a few qualifications, some components are worth more than the others so we have to work this out first.

Each component contributes a certain percentage to the total qualification mark. In most cases, this contribution is equal – but not always. We use 'weighting factors' to make sure each component contributes the right amount towards the total mark. We get the total mark by multiplying the raw marks by the weighting factor and then adding these marks together.

We then check the total mark against the qualification grade boundaries to get the qualification grade. The qualification grade is the final result and what will appear on the certificate.

We know it's useful to see how students did in each component so we also publish component grade boundaries. These show what the grade would be if we gave out grades for components. 'Grades' at component level don't automatically add up to the same grade at qualification level.

For more information about results and grade calculations, see www.ocr.org.uk/students/getting-your-results/

GCSE English Language

				Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	u
J351	01	Communicating information and ideas	Raw	80	62	55	49	43	37	32	25	18	12	0
J351	02	Exploring effects and impact	Raw	80	61	56	51	45	39	33	26	19	12	0
J351	04	Spoken language (Postal Moderation)	Raw	This component does not count towards overall mark										
J351		Overall	Overall	160	123	111	100	88	76	65	51	37	24	0

GCSE Mathematics

				Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	u
J560 F	01	Paper 1 (Foundation Tier)	Raw	100	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	56	39	28	17	6	0
J560 F	02	Paper 2 (Foundation Tier)	Raw	100	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	55	38	27	16	6	0
J560 F	03	Paper 3 (Foundation Tier)	Raw	100	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	57	40	29	18	7	0
J560 H	04	Paper 4 (Higher Tier)	Raw	100	82	68	55	42	30	17	11	n/a	n/a	0
J560 H	05	Paper 5 (Higher Tier)	Raw	100	82	69	55	43	30	17	10	n/a	n/a	0
J560 H	06	Paper 6 (Higher Tier)	Raw	100	80	65	50	38	26	15	9	n/a	n/a	0
J560 F		Foundation Tier: 01+02+03	Overall	300	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	168	117	84	51	19	0
J560 H		Higher Tier: 04+05+06	Overall	300	244	202	160	123	86	49	30	n/a	n/a	0